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U.S. Jobs Will Cost Two Retirees \$13,500

WASHINGTON — Two retired senior officers, Vice Adm. William Raborn and Gen. William F. McKee, will lose a combined \$13,500 a year in retired pay by taking federal government jobs.

McKee, former Air Force Vice Chief of Staff, has been nominated as administrator of the Federal Aviation Agency and will give up \$7233 because of the dual compensation laws and Raborn, former head of the Polaris program, will lose \$6264 annually by accepting the directorship of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Under the dual compensation laws retired regular officers may get only the first \$2000 of their retired pay plus half of the remainder.

McKee is in danger of losing even more than the \$7233. Under law a military man cannot be head of the FAA. The Administration has asked Congress to make an exception in McKee's case as it did when Gen. George C. Marshall was named Secretary of Defense in 1950.

Unless Congress passes the Administration bill, McKee stands to lose all of his \$16,467 retired pay if he accepts the job.

President Johnson told Congress that if McKee gives up his military status, it would impose upon him "the burden of requir-

ing him to make an unreasonable financial sacrifice and subject his family to the risk that they would be denied, in the event of his death, the benefits of his present retired status which they rely upon for their security." This may be a reference to McKee's participation in the Retired Serviceman's Family Protection Plan.

The powerful Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association is fighting McKee's appointment and the President's bill on the basis that the job should be held by a civilian.